



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

SIR:

**Applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time to respond to this Office Action.**

In response to the Office Action mailed on May 13, 2004, the period for response having been extended herein to October 13, 2004, by payment of the requisite fee for a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.